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As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our name,

We believe we are the original, first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD FOR PRODUCING MENTHOL**, the specification of which,

is attached hereto.

was filed on _____ as application Serial No. _____.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above, and

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

Prior Foreign Applications

We hereby claim priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed, the disclosure of which is herein incorporated by reference.

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We hereby appoint all of the attorneys associated with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office **Customer No. 001609** of the firm of ROYLANCE, ABRAMS, BERDO & GOODMAN, L.L.P. as my attorneys or agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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